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SUBJECT: PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON F-16

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1. BY COMFORTABLE MARGINS, SECOND CHAMBER OF STATEN-GENERAL ON JUNE 10 REJECTED ALL FIVE MOTIONS INTRODUCED DURING LAST WEEKS DEBATE ON DECISION OF GON TO PURCHASE 84 F-16'S. WITH OPTION FOR 18 MORE. THREE RADICAL LEFT MOTIONS REJECTED OUT OF HAND, WHILE ONE SPONSORED BY LABOR PARTY TO RECONSIDER DECISION AND PURSUE SPECIALIZATION IN NATO AND ONE BY LIBERAL PARTY ASKING FOR DECISION NOW TO BUY ALL 102 F-16'S GOT MORE VOTES BUT DID NOT COME CLOSE TO PASSING.

2. UNLESS BELGIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD FALL ON F-16 ISSUE, LONG AND DIFFICULT CONSIDERATION OF QUESTION IN NETHERLANDS SHOULD HAVE ENDED WITH TODAY'S VOTES. SPURRED BY U.S. SENATE REVELATIONS ABOUT NORTHROP, TWO MEMBERS OF RADICAL PARTY HAVE CALLED FOR PARLIAMENTARY INVESTIGATION INTO PRACTICES OF ALL AVIATION COMPANIES IN SEEKING WIN F-104 REPLACEMENT CONTRACT IN NETHERLANDS. DESPITE DUTCH CONNECTIONS WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE PUBLIC, THERE LITTLE CHANCE THAT

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SECOND CHAMBER WILL AGREE TO HEARINGS ON SUBJECT. AS NOTED

IN REFTTEL, FIGHT HAS GONE OUT OF OPPONENTS AND SUPPORTERS
SEEM HAPPY HAVE SOME REST FROM THIS AFFAIR.
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